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## Media Statement

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### **Moving Violation Recorders to enhance road safety in Mpumalanga**

In line with the pronouncement by Community Safety, Security and Liaison MEC Pat Ngomane during the Policy and Budget Speech presentation earlier this year, the department has completed equipping nine of its vehicles with Moving Violation Recorders (MVRs).

The MVRs enable law enforcement officers to record moving traffic violations such as dangerous overtaking, overtaking on a barrier line, reckless driving and negligent driving, excessive speeding or any other violations that are normally recorded by a camera while patrolling.

MVR is also able to assist with bringing drinking and driving suspects to book by recording any suspicious movement of a vehicle. The law enforcers will be able to stop the vehicle concerned and investigate if its driver is not under any influence and accordingly bring the suspect to book.

MEC Ngomane has welcomed the development saying since the beginning of the year there has been numerous high profile cases of excessive speeding which were successfully concluded as a result of MVRs. The successes were recorded in various areas along the N4 Toll Road in Nkangala and Ehlanzeni regions.

“This project will further boast gains that are also being achieved by ordinary law enforcement activities done by departmental officials. We have already seen results with the three vehicles that are already operational in both Ehlanzeni and Nkangala regions. With the addition of more MVR fitted vehicles, the scope of roads to be covered will increase and more impact on road safety will be made,” Ngomane said.

He also mentioned that MVRs could bring a solution to the persistent road crashes that took the lives of many people recently.

Ngomane insisted that other normal road safety education campaigns such as road shows and law enforcement activities will be intensified by the department.

The nine vehicles will be operational throughout the province, deployed to work on problematic routes.

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